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Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-199923, filed June 30, 2000, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

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